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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
- 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Live animals and animal products
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- **5. Title of the notified document:** Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2018/1629 of 25 July 2018 amending the list of diseases set out in Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council on transmissible animal diseases and amending and repealing certain acts in the area of animal health ('Animal Health Law'). **Language(s):** English, French and Spanish. **Number of pages:** 5

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6. Description of content: Regulation (EU) 2016/429 on transmissible animal diseases ('Animal Health Law') establishes a single harmonised list of transmissible animal diseases ('listed diseases') which pose a risk to animal or public health in the Union and which are relevant for the Union intervention. This list comprises of five diseases set out in Article 5(1) of this Regulation, and diseases set out in its Annex II, which is amended by the notified Regulation.

The list of animal diseases was reviewed by the Commission based on set criteria predetermined in the basic regulation relevant to protect animal and public health in the Union. The notified Regulation (EU) 2018/1629 amends that Annex II accordingly, by using the mentioned pre-set criteria. The list has been developed following a comprehensive science based preparatory work, largely based on the scientific opinions provided for this purpose by EFSA.

The list of animal diseases in this regulation takes account of the OIE international standards and is created with a view to focus the Union intervention to the diseases for which harmonised measures need to be taken at the Union level. The management of diseases listed by the OIE but not listed in Regulation (EU) 2018/1629 will not be managed at EU level but could be managed by the EU member States at national level.

The date of application of this Regulation is 21 April 2021.

7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.		
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:		
	[]	Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):	
	[]	World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):	
	[]	International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):	
	[X]	None	
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?		
	[] Yes		
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: The listing of diseases in Regulation (EU) 2018/1629 is in line with the general principles set up in the OIE Terrestrial and Aquatic Animal Health Codes. It serves for the EU internal management of animal diseases.		
	The list is in general shorter (narrower) than the OIE list of diseases because it serves a different purpose, i.e. defining animal diseases that are addressed at Union vs. member State level.		
9.	Other	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:	
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 25 July 2018		
	Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 31 October 2018		
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 20 November 2018		
	[]	Trade facilitating measure	
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable		
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